institution in Cochin, Mr. Vengu Ayyar was one of those bureaucratic officers who had been always pulled and pulled to go into line with democratic institutions of Cochin State, and we had many a tug. But the one great feature that he exhibited was that he took everything in the spirit in which we delivered it, and the cordiality with which we moved always remained in the same degree.

As for Mr. Subramania Ayyar, we were colleagues at the bar and I feel the loss of a personal friend. He has been always jovial at the bar. Circumstances made him seek office; otherwise he would have been far more worthy a man in public life than he had been in the services. He was one of the hardest worked officers in the State who had to deal with some of the biggest cases in Cochin, and the way in which he patiently laboured to get through the great Excise Case is a standing record of his ability, his patience and the laborious way of his life that made him devote his entire attention to any matter that he handled. I do not think that people of Cochin do want any words of mine to be reminded of Mr. Subramania Ayyar. Mr. Subramania Ayyar is gone, but he left his son into the service and we are sure that the son will follow the footsteps of his father and that he will also come up well. He has been a very good friend, a good judge and a devoted officer of His Highness' Government, and I pray that his soul may rest in peace.

Mr. President: I wish to associate myself with the tributes that have been paid to the two distinguished citizens of the State who have passed away, and it will be my duty as President of the House to convey to the members of the bereaved families the deep sense of sorrow which the members of this House feel about the loss the State has sustained in their demise. I request hon'ble members to stand in their seats and pass these motions.

Motions passed, all members standing as a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

ELECTIONS TO THE ROAD BOARD

Mr. President: I have to announce that the nomination papers for the election of three members of the Legislative Council for the new Road Board will be received by the Secretary to the Council before 5 p.m. to-day and that election will be held at 5 p.m. to-morrow.

BILLS ASSENTED TO OR DISALLOWED BY HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA— ANNOUNCEMENT OF

Secretary to the Council: Sir, under S. O. 5 (2), I have to announce to the Council that His Highness the Maharaja has been

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